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P&G Case 7931M2

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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In the application of :
Jayant E. Khanolkar et al. : Confirmation No. 2435
Serial No. 09/668,943 : Group Art Unit 1617
Filed September 22, 2000 : Examiner E. Webman

For Compositions Having Improved Stability

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

Applicants hereby petition the Commissioner for Patents to extend the time for response to the Office Action dated May 23, 2003, and further to the timely Notice of Appeal dated October 21, 2003 for 5 months, from December 21, 2003, to May 21, 2004. Applicants authorize payment of the accompanying fee of \$2,010 from Deposit Account 16-2480.

Respectfully submitted,

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